

Updates on Spring Bread Wheat Breeding Program at ICARDA for the year 2017

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Crosses

- More than 2500 simple and top crosses

Evaluation of segregating generations

- 300 populations evaluated using the Terbol-Sids-Kulumsa-Merchuch/Terbol shuttle

Production of doubled haploids (DH)

- 3 mapping populations each with 200 lines developed
- 1500-2000 DH lines produced

Yield trials:

PYT composed of 2000 genotypes and

700 elite genotypes assembled in the 1st year and 400 genotypes in the 2nd year
AYTs were evaluated across key locations.

Genotyping:

501 elite genotypes have been genotyped using 15 K SNP

Quality analysis

- NIR, Alveograph, Pharinograph analysis carried out for 501 elite genotypes

Composing and distribution of International nurseries

IN for 2018 season composed and distributed on time

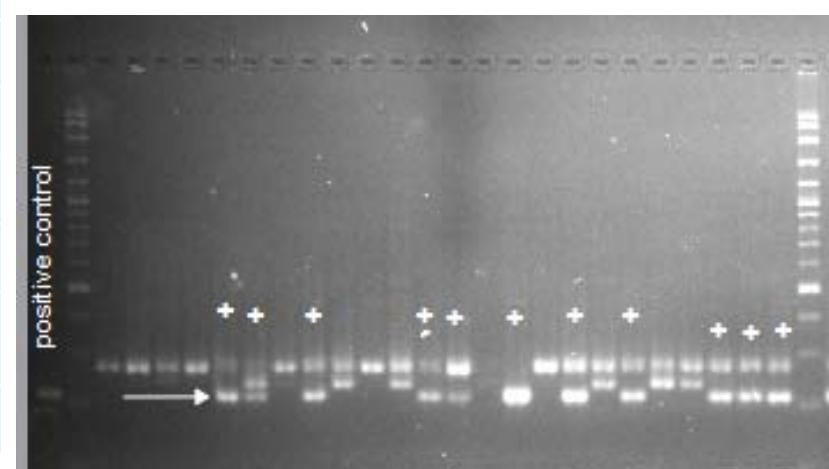
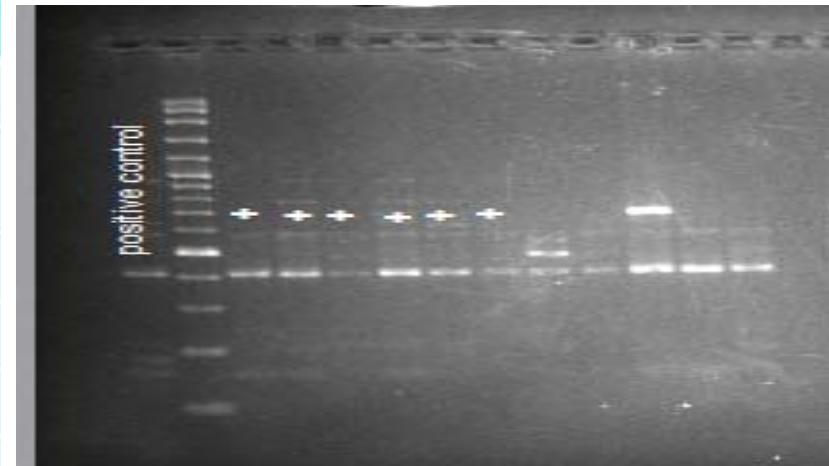
* 5 varieties of ICARDA origin have been released in 2017



Gene Pyramiding: MAS

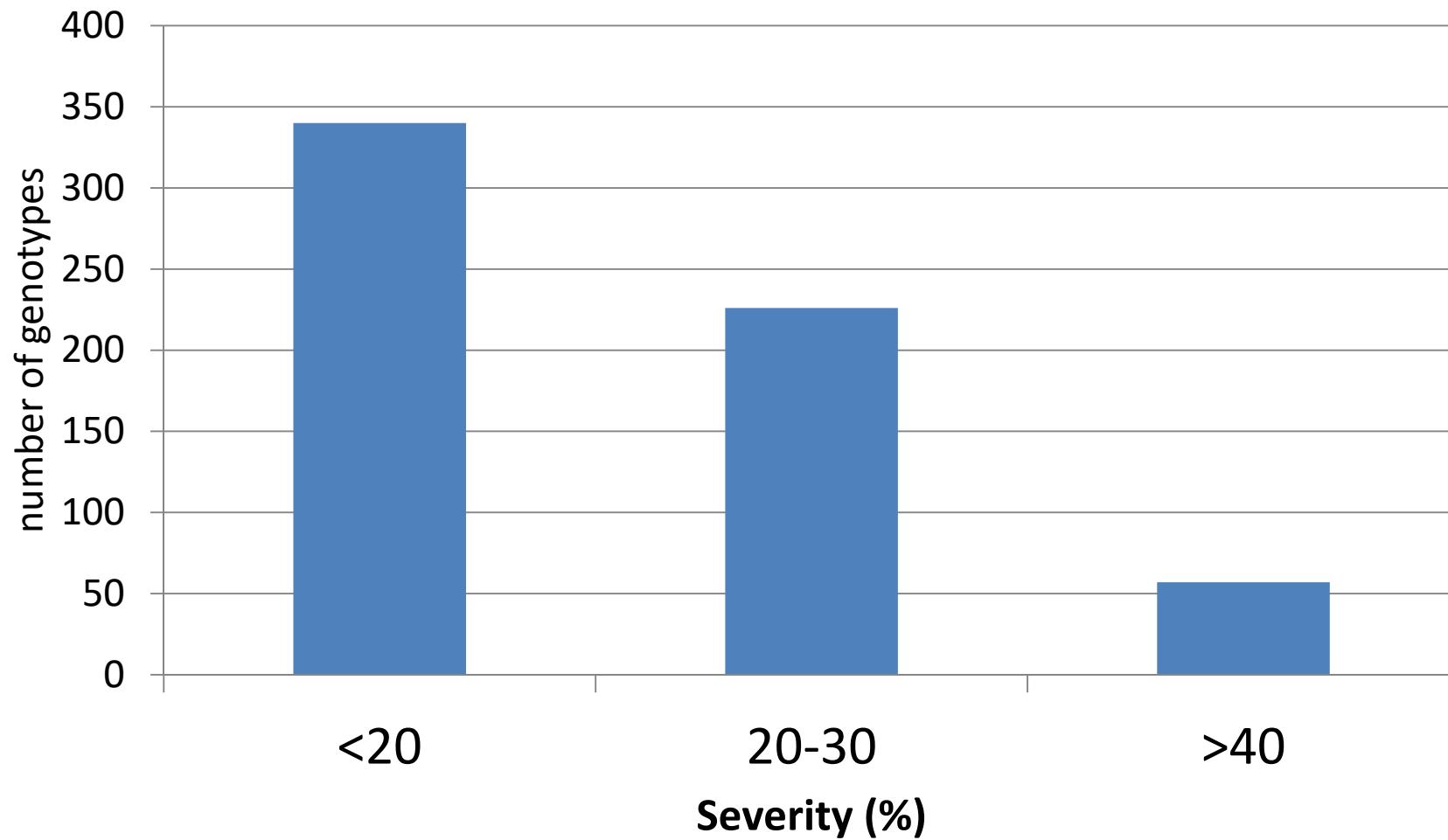
Characterization of crossing block and F2 populations carried out using functional markers.

Stem rust	Yellow rust	Leaf rust	Other Genes
Pavon Sr 24+Sr 31+Sr 50	<i>Yr5, Yr45</i>	<i>Lr37</i>	<i>Stb4,</i>
Sr 50+Sr 45 # 1	<i>Yr10</i>	<i>Lr34</i>	<i>Tsn1</i>
Sr 25	<i>Yr15</i>	<i>Lr67</i>	<i>Cre1</i>
Pavon Sr 24+SR 26+Sr 31	<i>Yr17</i>	<i>Lr10</i>	<i>Cre8</i>
Sr 22/CO 1213	<i>Yr 48</i>	<i>Lr14a</i>	<i>Fhb1</i>
Westonia Sr 24+Sr 26	<i>Yr 5+10</i>	<i>Lr24</i>	<i>H5, H13, H22</i>
Sr 33+Sr 45 #36	<i>Yr5+10+15</i>	<i>Lr23</i>	<i>H23, H26</i>
Angas Sr 32	<i>Yr48+Yr15</i>	<i>Lr22a</i>	
Sr 2	<i>Yr17+Yr48</i>	<i>Lr25</i>	
Sr 38	<i>Yr27+5+10+15</i>	<i>Lr24+Sr24</i>	
Sr 39	<i>Yr36</i>	<i>Lr19+Sr24</i>	
other minor genes	other minor genes		



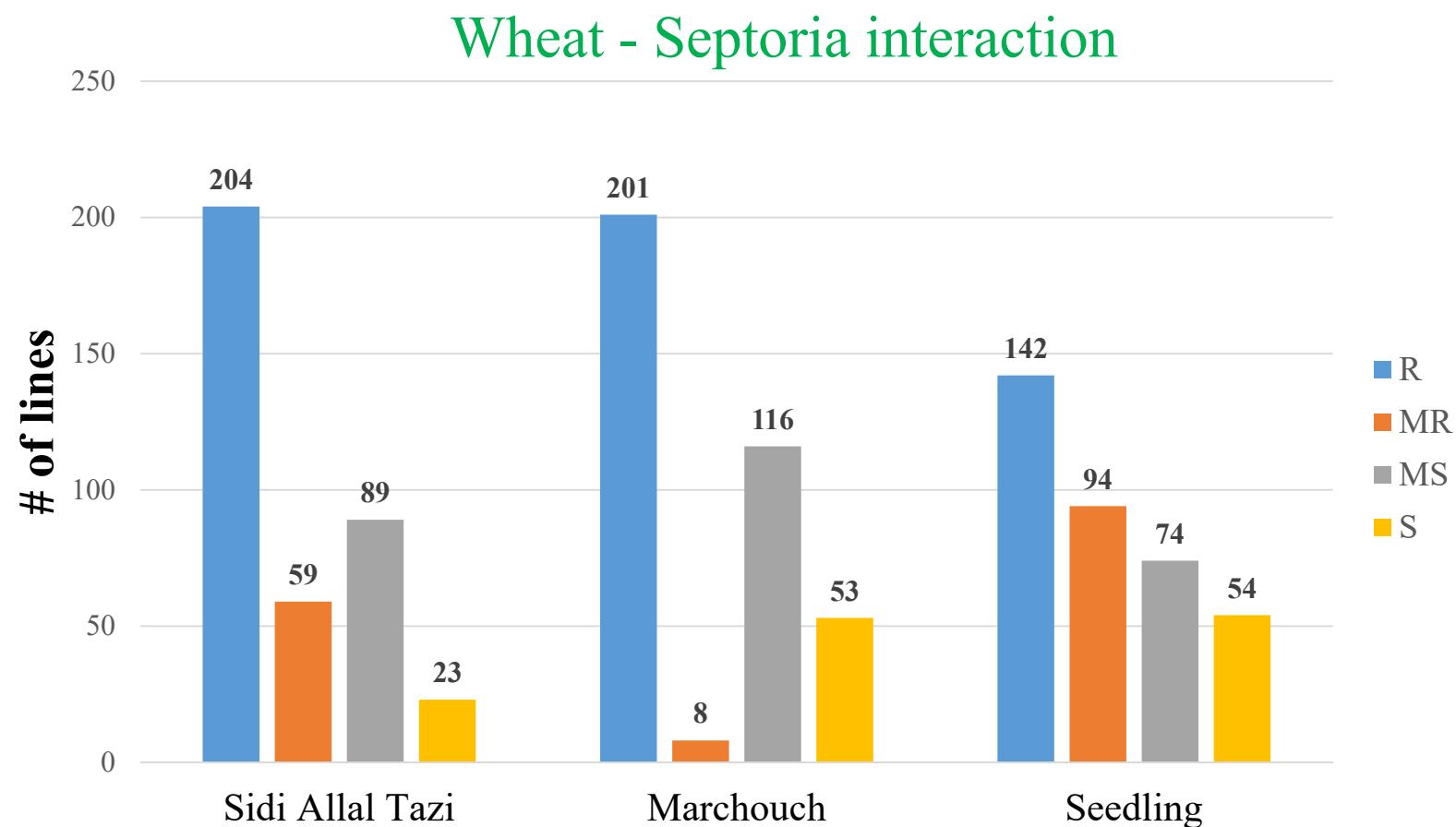
Genetic stocks from Dr Evans Lagudah

Response of 623 spring bread wheat genotypes to yellow rust at Izmir, 2016/17

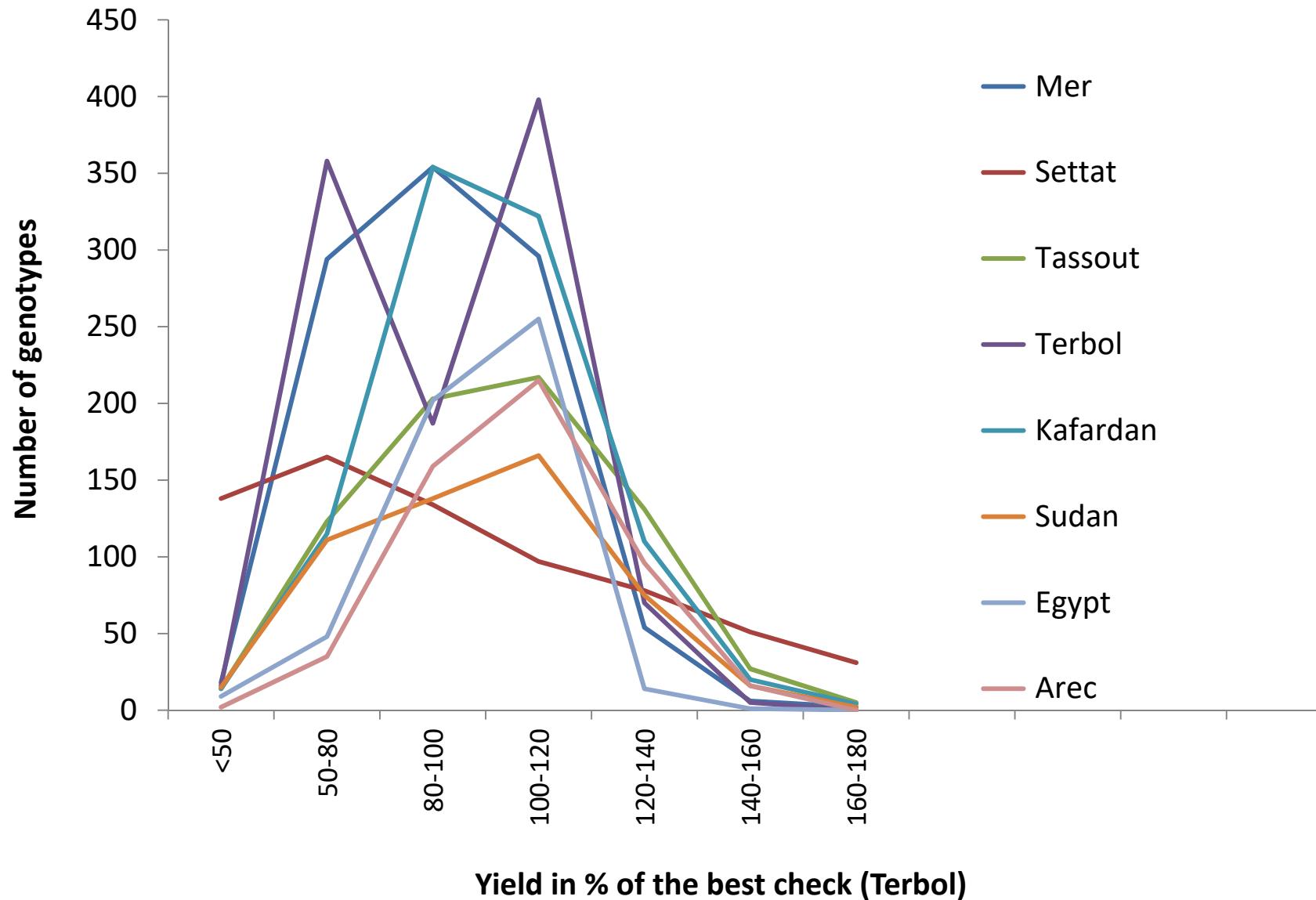


Screening of 377 elite spring bread wheat genotypes

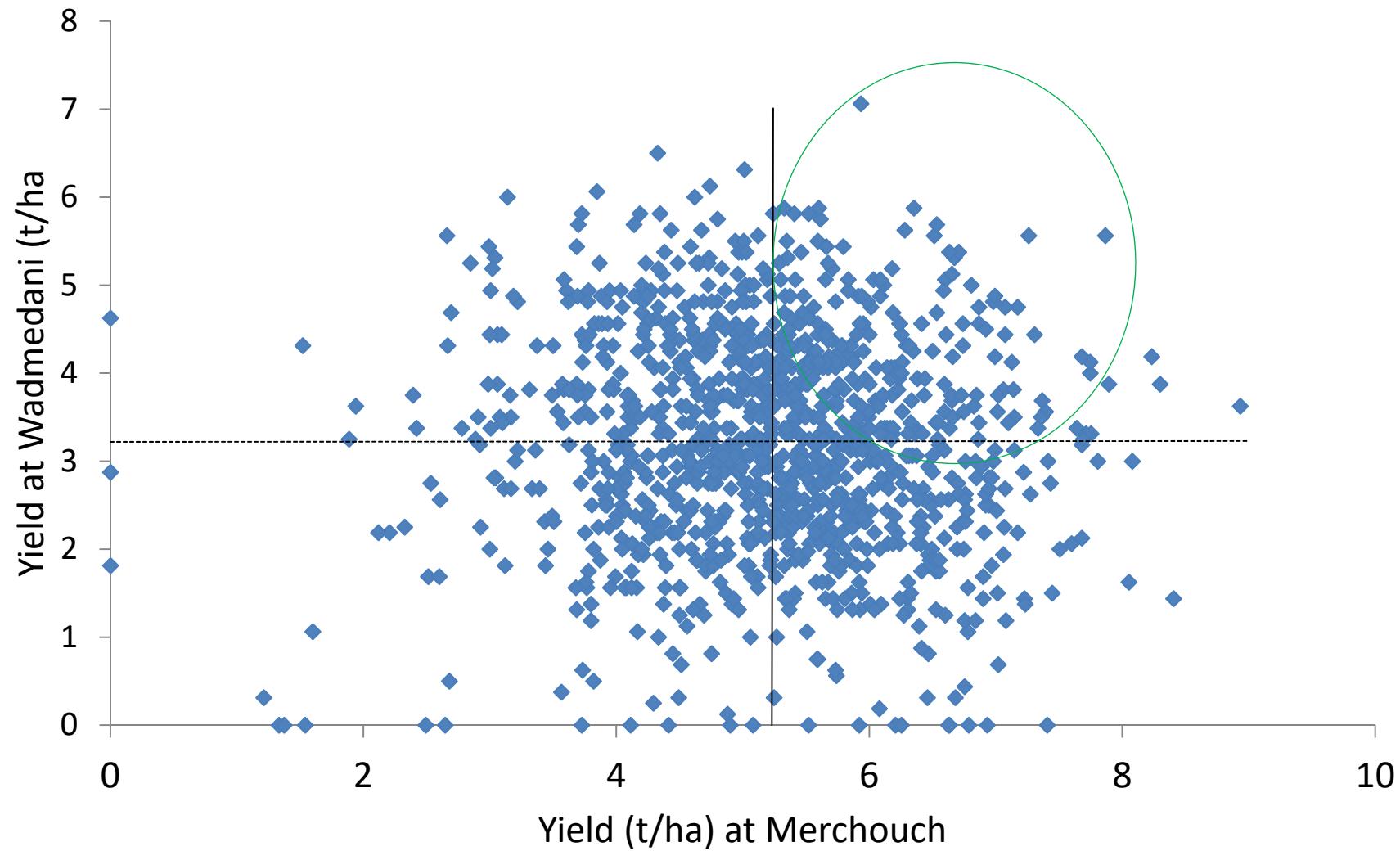
- With *Septoria tritici*
- Marchouch, Sidi Allal Tazi with artificial inoculation
- Seedling screening under controlled conditions
- Mixture of 10- isolates



Yield levels (% of best check) of spring bread wheat genotypes in AWYT across locations, 2017



Wheat genotypes with drought and heat tolerance



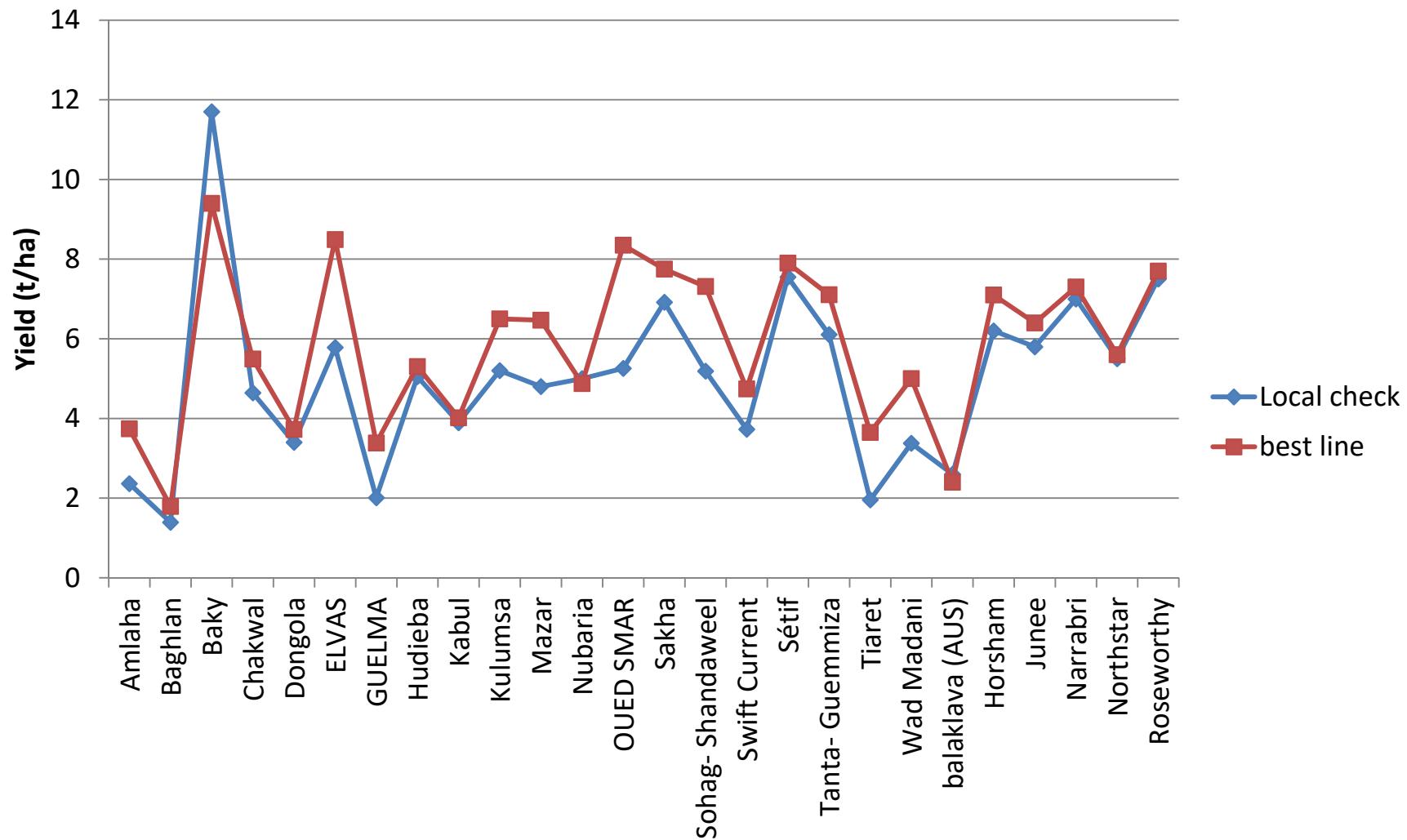
Distribution of International Nurseries and Yield Trials

The following International nurseries and yield trials have been distributed from Terbol station, Lebanon to more than 30 countries in the CWANA and SSA regions and beyond up on request from the NARS .

1. Spring bread wheat observation nursery for CWANA (18thCWANA SBWON)
2. Spring bread wheat observation nursery for heat tolerance (18th HT-SBWON)
3. Spring bread wheat yield trial for HT(18th ESBWYT-HT)
4. Spring bread wheat yield trial for dry-land environments (18th DSBWYT)
5. Elite spring bread wheat yield trial (18th ESBWYT)
6. Especial nursery for 12 countries in Sub Saharan Africa (AfDB project)
7. CIAGE nursery for 2018

[www.icarda.org/research-sub/international nurseries](http://www.icarda.org/research-sub/international-nurseries)

Grain yield performance of the best ICARDA line and the local check across locations in the 16th ESBWYT, 2016



Capacity building: short and long term trainings

Short term training : Classical and Molecular Approaches in Wheat Breeding



MSc & PhD Students

Name	Sex	Country	Degree	Study area
Sahar Bennani	F	Morocco	PhD	Drought tolerance
Samira El-Hanafi	F	Morocco	PhD	Hybrid wheat
Sawsan Tawkaz	F	Syria	PhD	DH
Kenza	F	Morocco	PhD	quality
Nawal	F	Algeria	PhD	Drought tolerance
Elfadil	M	Sudan	PhD	Heat stress
Tilahun Mekonnen	M	Ethiopia	PhD	Septoria
Assefa	M	Ethiopia	PhD	Heat and drought
Abera	M	Ethiopia	M.Sc	Yellow rust
Fikrte	F	Ethiopia	M.Sc.	Stem rust
Lakachew	M	Ethiopia	M.Sc.	septoria
Mathewos Ashamo	M	Ethiopia	PhD	Stem and leaf rust

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